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Treasury Secretary Anderson today presented the Treasury Department's Exceptional Civilian Service Award to O. Gordon Delk, Jr., Deputy Commissioner of Internal Revenue, whose resignation is effective January 31, 1959. The award is symbolized by a gold medal and a lapel emblem.

The presentation was made at a ceremony in the Treasury and was attended by Treasury and Revenue officials, and friends and associates of Mr. Delk. The Secretary, in making the award, commended the Deputy Commissioner for his outstanding service over the past six years, and his significant contribution to the reorganization of the Revenue Service, as well as to the establishment of the Revenue Service's outstanding executive training development program.

Mr. Delk entered the Government service in 1928 as a messenger in the General Accounting Office. He served as a member of the staff of that agency's Investigations Division from 1933 till 1942. In 1942, he was on loan to the Senate Committee on the Reduction of Non-essential Expenditures, and in July of that year transferred to the Office of the Comptroller General as budget analyst, later advancing to senior administrative analyst.

From February, 1943, till February, 1944, Mr. Delk was on loan to the State Department as principal mission officer with the North African Economic Board, a staff operation under the Commander of Allied Forces.

Mr. Delk returned to the General Accounting Office in February, 1944, as senior administrative analyst, and in January, 1945, was made assistant director of the newly-formed Corporation Audits Division. He remained in that capacity until December, 1951 when he left the Government. Mr. Delk was engaged in banking and farming enterprises at Smithfield, Virginia, until February, 1953, when he was named a special consultant to Internal Revenue Commissioner Andrews. Mr. Delk was appointed Deputy Commissioner of Internal Revenue on March 30, 1953.

Mr. Delk was born December 28, 1911, in Smithfield, Virginia, the son of O. Gordon and Frances Tulloss Delk. He studied accountancy at George Washington University, and later earned an LL.B. Degree from Southeastern University. He is a member of the bars of the District of Columbia, the State of Virginia, and the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mr. Delk lives in Arlington, Virginia.